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Title of Invention	METHOD AND KIT FOR THE SPECIFIC DETECTION OF <i>M. TUBERCULOSIS</i>
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As the below named inventor(s), I/we declare that:

This declaration is directed to:

- ☐ The attached application, or
☒ U.S. Application No. 10/549,495, Int'l Application No. PCT/EP2004/002911, Int'l filing date March 19, 2004,
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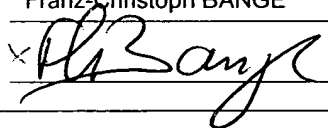
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	First Named Inventor	Franz-Christoph BANGE
	Title	METHOD AND KIT FOR THE SPECIFIC DETECTION OF M. TUBERCULOSIS
	Art Unit	
	Examiner Name	
	Attorney Docket Number	770036.402USPC

I hereby revoke all previous powers of attorney given in the above-identified application.

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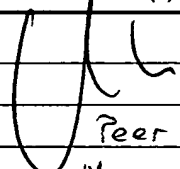
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